

Men of the Arizona

6th -- 12th Graders

Total Program Time Commitment: 3 hours

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[Online Request Field Trip Form](#)

What is the Men of the Arizona Program? Ideal for grades 6th -- 12th, your students will have a rare opportunity to read about the lives of those men who perished on December 7th, 1941 on board the USS Arizona, the largest loss of life in US Naval History to date. The idea of this program is to create empathy and understanding for those who lost their lives and what it means to sacrifice for a nation's freedom. This program has 2 parts, the first in the Pre-Visit, where your students will be given a name of a sailor/marine on board the USS Arizona, during the attacks. We will give information (Date of Birth, where person is from and a short bio.) and ask your students to complete 2 to 3 short creative writing journal entries from their person's viewpoint. The second is the On-Site visit, where we will ask students to share out about their person, tour the museums, watch a documentary film, and take the ferry ride out to the Arizona and back.

This program also has a pre-visit attached. We ideally like to schedule the pre-visit 1 to 2 weeks prior to your onsite field trip. At the pre-site visit, your students will be given the name, date of birth and location of a sailor/marine who was on board the USS Arizona during the attacks, your students will be asked to write 2 to 3 creative journal entries as their person. ParkEDU will bring all required USS Arizona portfolios

Sample 3-hour Visit Timeline (for the 10:00 am program)

9:00	Students and chaperones arrive and take lunches to Education Building for storage (if needed)
9:05-9:10	Welcome and opening session by ParkEDU Staff on lanai behind EDU Building
9:10-9:30	Share out information found about Sailor/Marine from Pre-Site
9:30-9:45	Students look through exhibit galleries
9:45-9:55	Last chance for restrooms and water break
9:55	Line up at theater
10:00 to 11:15 am	Enter theater & program begins-- watching film and visit to USS <i>Arizona</i> Memorial
11:15	Return to visitor center, meet at Remembrance Circle for closing session

11:15-11:30	Closing session with NPS Staff
11:30-12:00	Group breaks for lunch on lanai behind EDU building and/or heads back to the buses for their return trip